

# Parent/Guardian Community E-Bulletin

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## Markville Secondary School E-Bulletin



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Please keep in mind any information provided in this bulletin is subject to change and is accurate at the time of distribution.

## Schedule Change

	Time	T1-R2
Date		Mar 1 Mar 10
F2F Block 1	8:20 – 10:50	2
Exit	10:50 – 11:05	Exit
Travel & Lunch	11:05 – 12:20	Travel & Lunch
Block 2	12:20 – 1:10	1
Block 3	1:10 – 2:00	4
Block 4	2:00 – 2:50	5

### Face to Face Rotation 2 schedule

Rotation 2 will start on Monday, March 1, so students will have period two as their face-to-face class on their cohort day. March 1 through March 5, Cohort A will come in on Monday, Wednesday and Friday and Cohort B will come in on Tuesday and Thursday.

- If a student attends school on the wrong cohort day, they will be sent home. Cohorts are created to keep everyone as safe as possible, so this is necessary.

- Afternoon online classes will consist of 40 minutes of synchronous learning with the remaining 10 minutes for independent work and/or time for students to stretch, get a drink, etc.

- Lastly, if a class or entire school needed to be closed due to COVID-19, the expectation is that all students are to connect in their virtual/online learning platforms (Google Classroom, Moodle, etc.) within 24 hours. The student would follow the same schedule in place at the time of the closure.

### March 1 to 12 Schedule

1 Period 2 AM A Period 1, 4, 5 online	2 Period 2 AM B Period 1, 4, 5 online	3 Period 2 AM A Period 1, 4, 5 online	4 Period 2 AM B Period 1, 4, 5 online	5 Period 2 AM A Period 1, 4, 5 online
8 Period 2 AM B Period 1, 4, 5 online	9 Period 2 AM A Period 1, 4, 5 online	10 Period 2 AM B Period 1, 4, 5 online	11 Feedback Day	12 Period 4 AM A Period 5, 1, 2 online

# Black History Month



February is Black History Month and at Markville Secondary School we have been reflecting upon the contributions that Black Canadians, Caribbean, American, and Africans have made to Canadian society and the world at large. Each day we showcased videos that explored Black History & Culture and their impact on Canada. The themes we highlighted for 2021 connect to the following subject areas:

History, Culture, English, Arts, Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, Business & Politics. We aim to showcase how these individuals have contributed to the fabric of Canadian society.

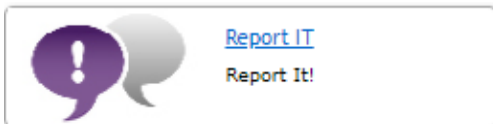
Week 1: History & Culture

Week 2: Arts & Literature

Week 3: STEM

Week 4: Business & Politics

## Report It



Our schools should be safe, welcoming and inclusive places for everyone. It is important that students know what to do if they witness or experience inappropriate behaviour or incidents

of hate or discrimination.

- There may be situations when you can safely step in and intervene and help.
- Talk to an adult at school, family member or other trusted adult.
- Report the event without the person involved knowing using our online reporting tool, Report It.

Report It lets you share information about inappropriate student behaviour or incidents of hate or discrimination. You can use the online form to report:

- bullying, drugs, cheating, vandalism, harassment, violence or any other inappropriate behaviour

- incidents of discrimination or hate, including anti-Indigenous racism, ableism, anti-Asian racism, anti-Black racism, antisemitism, classism, homophobia, Islamophobia, sexism, transphobia or other forms of hate

You can report events that happen at school, at school-related events, online or off school property if it negatively affects a student or the school climate. You can also choose to make a report anonymously.

Complete reports are shared with the school to investigate and respond.

Acts of discrimination, hate and bullying are never acceptable. Using the Report It tool is a way of standing up for each other and for ourselves.

You can find Report It on the homepage of the Board website at [www.yrdsb.ca](http://www.yrdsb.ca) and on the homepage of every school website, or watch this [short video](#) to learn more.

## Club Spotlight

### **CSDA (Canadian Speech & Debate Association)**

Markville is now home to the very first chapter of the Canadian Speech & Debate Association (CSDA)! The CSDA will be running as a club starting March 1st, meeting every Monday from 3:15 to 4:30 PM. Students will have the opportunity to learn, perform and compete in various styles of speech and debate.

For more information about the club, the teams, as well as the speech & debate categories, go visit <http://bit.ly/aboutcsda>

It is open to all students, and you may join the CSDA using the following link: [bit.ly/csdesignup](http://bit.ly/csdesignup)

Make sure to follow the CSDA [@the csda](#) on instagram, and feel free to send a message if you have any questions.

You can also email [350357851@gapps.yrdsb.ca](mailto:350357851@gapps.yrdsb.ca) or [stephaniecho2003@gmail.com](mailto:stephaniecho2003@gmail.com) for any inquiries.

Stephanie Cho

# Peer Tutoring



Hey Markville!

Do you need extra help? Are you looking for a tutor? If so, don't wait or hesitate! Submit an application for a 1-on-1 Peer Tutor. Sessions start the week of February 22.

**What?** 1-on1 Peer Tutoring!

**Who?** Adaptive and SVS Markville students! **\*Note:** Peer Tutoring prioritizes support for Gr 9-12 compulsory courses. If you are looking for extra help in a senior elective, please first connect with your teachers.

**When?** Lunch 11:20-12:10 (Tuesdays and Thursdays) or After School 3:00-

3:50 (Wednesdays and Fridays). Tutees and Tutors will meet weekly and attendance will be taken.

**Where?** Virtually! Zoom invitations will be sent once a match has been confirmed. Students must be logged into YRDSB accounts.

**How?** Submit an application at [bit.ly/msstutoringsignup2021](https://bit.ly/msstutoringsignup2021) and check your GAPPS email for a match confirmation!



## Waterloo Contests



### Information for Euclid, Fryer/Galois/Hypatia Waterloo Contests

Due to the changes to in-person attendance at schools, registration for the math contests will now be done by each individual household.

To register for the Waterloo Euclid, Fryer/Galois/Hypatia contests please visit the website:

<https://cemc2.math.uwaterloo.ca/contest/Sigma/school/newHomeSchool.php?pageLang=E>

This website will allow you to register your household. Please note that only a supervising adult may complete the registration. Once you have registered you will be given a login and password that will permit you to sign up and pay for individual contests. If you have already signed up for previous contests then continue to use the same login and password.

### Registration deadlines:

Euclid Grade 12: **March 18, 2021**

Fryer: Grade 9, Galois: Grade 10, Hypatia: Grade 11 - **March 26, 2021**

### Contest dates:

Euclid: **April 7, 2021**

Fryer/Galois/Hypatia: **April 14, 2021**

For contest preparation please visit the following website:

<https://cemc.uwaterloo.ca/contests/preparation.html>

## Tech Tip



### **English Language Learning: Listen and Read**

This website offers audiobooks specifically suited for English Language Learners. Some of the features include chapters available to read along with the narrator, novels, classics, and short stories. The audiobooks are separated by

chapters, showing their length in minutes. There is no limit on how many students can use the book/short story/audiobook at the same time.

For additional information, please click on the link below:

<http://esl-bits.net/>

## Tweet of the Week





## Community Notice



Are you a parent/caregiver who is curious about mental health? Wanting to gather tips on how to support your child or youth who may be struggling with their mental health? Wondering about different coping strategies and how to check-in with your own mental health during COVID19? Join us for a webinar to explore these topics and more.

**When:** March 2, 2021 7:00 pm–8:30 pm Eastern Time

**Topic:** Managing Mental Health During COVID19

*Register in advance for this webinar with the below link:*



[https://yorkhills.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_Z87LWY03T1W\\_M86lBQvPWg](https://yorkhills.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Z87LWY03T1W_M86lBQvPWg)



After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

\*please note that this webinar is open to families affiliated with Markham District High School

This Webinar will be hosted by York Hills staff Christina Ramdhin, RP., CCC. and Mary Ann Cole